

Nutrition/Health Volume
Certification Section

Risk Factor 332 **Short Interpregnancy Interval** (formerly known as **Closely Spaced Pregnancies**) (2.04465)

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POLICY: Risk Factor 332 **Short Interpregnancy Interval (IPI)**, formerly known as *Closely Spaced Pregnancies* (~~Conception before 16 months postpartum~~) shall be assigned to a pregnant woman during the current pregnancy or to a breastfeeding/ non-breastfeeding woman whose most recent pregnancy fits the criteria for closely spaced pregnancies. **is defined as an interpregnancy interval of less than 18 months from the date of a live birth to the conception of the subsequent pregnancy for the following:**

Category	Pregnancy
Pregnant Women	Current pregnancy
Breastfeeding/Non-Breastfeeding Women	Most recent pregnancy

Note: The evidence-based information supporting this criterion is specific to live births and did not include women who had miscarriages or stillbirths. Thus, the definition for this criterion is specific only to women who experienced live births. Women whose pregnancies did not result in a live birth may be assigned, as appropriate, Risk #321 *History of Spontaneous Abortions, Fetal or Neonatal Loss*.

PROCEDURES:

- A. Obtaining Data
 1. Obtain information on participant's outcome.
- B. Documenting
 1. Enter the woman's LMP date in MOWINS.
- C. Assigning Risk Factors
 1. Risk Factor 332 ~~Closely Spaced Pregnancies (Conception before 16 months postpartum)~~ **Short Interpregnancy Interval** will be automatically assigned by MOWINS as indicated below:

Note:

- 4i. If pregnancy record is in the system, ~~the system will assign this risk factor when the difference between PREGNANCY.LMPSTART of the current pregnancy and the PREGNANCY.LASTPREGEND of the most recent previous pregnancy is~~

less than 16 months.

2ii. If pregnancy record is not in MOWINS for the breastfeeding and non breastfeeding woman, the CPA certifying staff shall manually assign risk factor 332 if it applies.

3iii. Refer to the [Risk Factor Detail Guide](#) for additional information.

iv. Priority assignment for the risk factor is found in ER #2.03200.

D. Provide ~~ing~~ Appropriate Counseling (See [Counseling Guides](#)) for suggested counseling topics. Refer to the [Nutrition Training Manual](#) for additional information. Additional education suggestions are located in the *Implications for WIC Nutrition Services* section of the USDA Regulations and Justification for the risk factor.

E. Provide appropriate referral information and document into MOWINS.